



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 6294

January Session, 2011

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**AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONSOLIDATION OF
NONEDUCATIONAL SERVICES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 10-222 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2011*):

4 (a) Each local board of education shall prepare an itemized estimate
5 of the cost of maintenance of public schools for the ensuing year and
6 shall submit such estimate to the board of finance in each town or city
7 having a board of finance, to the board of selectmen in each town
8 having no board of finance or otherwise to the authority making
9 appropriations for the school district, not later than two months
10 preceding the annual meeting at which appropriations are to be made.
11 The board of finance, board of selectmen or appropriating authority
12 shall, not later than ten days after the date the board of education
13 submits such estimate, make spending recommendations and
14 suggestions to such board of education as to how such board of
15 education may consolidate noneducational services and realize
16 financial efficiencies. Such board of education may accept or reject the
17 suggestions of the board of finance, board of selectmen or
18 appropriating authority and shall state the reason for any rejection on
19 the record. The money appropriated by any municipality for the

20 maintenance of public schools shall be expended by and in the
21 discretion of the board of education. Except as provided in this
22 subsection, any such board may transfer any unexpended or
23 uncontracted-for portion of any appropriation for school purposes to
24 any other item of such itemized estimate. Boards may, by adopting
25 policies and procedures, authorize designated personnel to make
26 limited transfers under emergency circumstances if the urgent need for
27 the transfer prevents the board from meeting in a timely fashion to
28 consider such transfer. All transfers made in such instances shall be
29 announced at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the board and
30 an explanation of such transfer shall be provided to the legislative
31 body of the municipality. Expenditures by the board of education shall
32 not exceed the appropriation made by the municipality, with such
33 money as may be received from other sources for school purposes. If
34 any occasion arises whereby additional funds are needed by such
35 board, the chairman of such board shall notify the board of finance,
36 board of selectmen or appropriating authority, as the case may be, and
37 shall submit a request for additional funds in the same manner as is
38 provided for departments, boards or agencies of the municipality and
39 no additional funds shall be expended unless such supplemental
40 appropriation shall be granted and no supplemental expenditures shall
41 be made in excess of those granted through the appropriating
42 authority. The annual report of the board of education shall, in
43 accordance with section 10-224, include a summary showing (1) the
44 total cost of the maintenance of schools, (2) the amount received from
45 the state and other sources for the maintenance of schools, and (3) the
46 net cost to the municipality of the maintenance of schools. For
47 purposes of this subsection, "meeting" means a meeting, as defined in
48 section 1-200, and "itemized estimate" means an estimate in which
49 broad budgetary categories including, but not limited to, salaries,
50 fringe benefits, utilities, supplies and grounds maintenance are
51 divided into one or more line items.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2011</i>	10-222(a)
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PD *Joint Favorable Subst.*